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**ROUTE 671 OVER NOTTOWAY RIVER TO CLOSE AS PROJECT
CONTINUES FORWARD**

Closure with signed detour in place to begin as early as Jan. 3

SOUTHAMPTON COUNTY - Beginning as early as Jan. 3, contractor crews with the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) are scheduled to close Route 671 (General Thomas Highway) to through traffic between Shady Brook Trail and Handsom Road following a seasonal temporary opening. This upcoming closure is estimated to last through fall 2022 to allow for the overall project to continue and replace the second bridge over Nottoway River.

The overall project consists of replacing the two existing bridges over the Nottoway River to meet current design standards, with the first bridge (overflow bridge) completed and reopened in September 2021. The improved bridges will consist of two 12-foot lanes with 9-foot shoulders, along with improvements to the bridge approaches and stormwater management facilities.

During this closure, access will be maintained for all businesses and residents along Route 671 between Shady Brook Trail and Handsom Road. Signed detours will be in place directing traffic to Route 58 (Southampton Parkway) and Route 35 (Meherrin Road) as follows:

From Route 58 east to Route 671 south:

- Take the Route 35 (Meherrin Road) exit
- Turn right to proceed south

From Route 58 west to Route 671 south:

- Take the Route 35 (Meherrin Road) exit
- Turn left to proceed south

Traveling Route 671 north:

- Take Route 35 to the Route 58 interchange
- Proceed to the right for Route 58 east

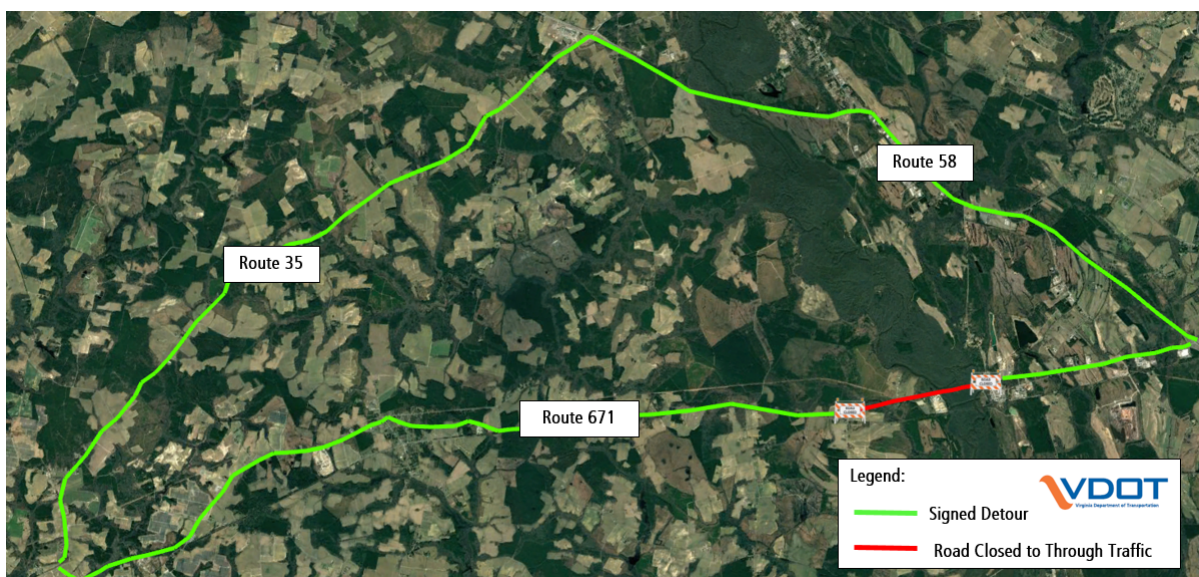
Residents in the nearby vicinity of the Route 671 bridge over Nottoway River can expect to hear some construction noise during these operations as crews work shifts around the clock until mid-February with the ultimate goal of delivering the project safely, under budget and on schedule.

Crowder Construction Company was awarded the \$11.8 million construction contract and began work in fall 2020 with road closures starting in early 2021. The bridge replacement project is estimated to be complete in fall 2022. All construction schedules are pending, due to weather or unforeseen circumstances.

To learn more about this project, visit:

https://www.viriniadot.org/projects/hamptonroads/route_671_general_thomas_highway_over_nottoway_river_bridge_replacement.asp

Motorists are encouraged to visit www.511virginia.org, call 511, or download Virginia's free 511 mobile app, for current traffic and travel information.



Motorists will utilize Route 35 and Route 58 following detour signs.

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